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A Pointer To The Wallace Mission

Sensational Disclosures From China's War-Time Capital

By D. F. KARAKA

BOMBAY, May 26.

The sending of so important an official of State as the Vice-President of the United States, Mr. Henry Wallace, on a mission to Chungking suggests that President Roosevelt wants some important points cleared up in the Chinese capital.

Obviously one of the purposes of the visit is the giving of aid to China on a more effective scale than at the present when it has been described as "a trickle", but the American President is too shrewd a man to lock up a Vice-President of the United States solely on a job which could be done as effectively by any high military official. It is the President's choice of a front-rank diplomat that has aroused considerable speculation about his real motive in sending Mr. Henry Wallace to Chungking.

Last year several incidents happened in China which have not been reported to the world at large. On three occasions there have been clashes with the Chinese Reds. General Hu Tsung Nan turned his attention from the Huang Ho river (North China) to the Border Regions to blockade the Reds. Though provoked, the Chinese Reds did not reply and contented themselves with informing "American friends" of the incidents. This happened in June, 1943.

In August, clashes occurred in the South Shantung and the North Kiang Su provinces, which seemed to indicate that Kuomintang politics had influenced the military policy of China at war.

ANTI-RED MEASURES

The matter came to a head on the eve of the 11th Plenary Session of the Kuomintang in November last year when the Kuomintang had prepared strong measures against the Reds. It was to be a regular campaign to neutralize the Red influence in China. The principal person to press for this campaign was the reactionary military leader, General Ho Yin Chin, who has been the most stubborn element obstructing the solution of the political deadlock between the Kuomintang and the Reds. Already he had objected to the Generalissimo receiving the Red General, Lin Piao, who saw the Generalissimo three times last year. Although Chiang has ordered that medical supplies should be allowed to reach the Red (18th Route) Army Group, Ho Yin Chin saw to it that not a tablet of quinine reached Yenan where the Red Army was desperately in need of medical supplies. Ho Yin Chin is said to have expressed the opinion: "Chow En Lai (the Red leader) is more dangerous than the Japs."

SHADOW OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Although the reactionary element in the Kuomintang had planned the campaign against the Reds, their plans failed to materialise because of a cable received by the Generalissimo from T. V. Soong in Washington. In this cable Soong indicated that Washington was worried about civil war in China. If something were to happen in China, America would immediately stop sending gold and ammunition supply to China. *The shadow of the American President was clearly seen behind that message to the Generalissimo and so the plan was given up.*

A POLITICAL PROBLEM

This change of policy was reflected in the Kuomintang-controlled newspapers. Before the first day of the plenary session of the Kuomintang the Central News Agency had published news about "illegal deeds of the Communists" in Shangtung. After T. V. Soong's cable nothing further appeared in the press.

At the plenary session the Generalissimo decreed that henceforth the Communist problem must be considered as a purely political problem of China and must be solved by political, not military, measures.

It is obvious that the American President wants to be quite clear to what purpose American aid to China is to be put. Mr. Henry Wallace may bring the answer home when he returns from the mission to Chungking.

IRON AND STEEL PRICES FIXED

NEW DELHI, May 26

By a notification published in the 'Gazette of India' the Central Government have amended the Iron and Steel (Control of Distribution) Order, 1944, so as to provide for controlling the prices of iron and steel, says a Press Note. The Iron and Steel Controller has been empowered to fix the maximum prices at which iron and steel may be sold by producers, stockholders or any other person or persons.

The notification imposes a statutory obligation on producers, stockholders, etc., that "they shall not sell or offer to sell any iron and steel at a price exceeding the maximum prices" fixed by the Controller.—A. P.

Roosevelt Calls International Monetary Conference

WASHINGTON, May 26.

The White House has announced that President Roosevelt has called an international monetary conference for July First. The conference will be held at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, and will be known as the United Nations Monetary and Financial Conference. Invitations have been sent to all the United Nations and nations associated with them in the war, requesting them to send official representatives to the United States.—Reuter.

INDIA'S TEAM FOR WASHINGTON

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, May 26.

Sir Shanmukham Chetty and Mr. A. D. Shroff have been selected as non-officials in India's team at International Monetary Conference at Washington, official members being Sir Jeremy Raisman, Sir C. D Deshmukh and Dr. Gregory.

ACTION AGAINST TWO MORE MILLS

Ceiling Price Of Cloth And Yarn To Be Reduced

BOMBAY, May 26.

The Textile Commissioner of the Government of India has now taken over the disposal of the entire production of the Apollo Mills of Bombay and Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Mills of Sholapur. Orders to this effect were served to-day.

The goods manufactured by these mills in future will be distributed under the direct orders of the Textile Commissioner. The Mills whose manufactures will be so distributed now number thirteen. This is in addition to two mills which will be controlled by Sir Frederick Stones on behalf of the Textile Commissioner of the Government of India.

CEILING PRICE REDUCED

At the meeting of the Industry's Committee of the Textile Control Board held on the 24th May, 1944, a recommendation was made to Government that the current ceiling prices of cloth and yarn should be reduced by one and a half and two annas in the rupee respectively for all goods tex-marked June or later, says a Press Note issued by the Textile Commissioner of the Government of India.

This is the fourth reduction which the industry have voluntarily made in their prices since the control was introduced in June 1943.

The recommendation of the Committee has been accepted by the Textile Commissioner on behalf of the Government of India and the necessary notification will be issued shortly giving statutory effect to these reductions.

LICENCES CANCELLED

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 26.

According to instructions from the Textile Commissioner the local police have served notices on three cloth and yarn merchants, cancelling their licences and have asked them to submit those licences before the District Magistrate.

Further inquiries reveal the possibility of more drastic steps from the Textile Commissioner and it is expected that licences will be withdrawn from several merchants.

NAMES OF MERCHANTS

A correspondent from Ahmedabad states in this connection:

Textile Commissioner has ordered three prominent merchants of Maskati Market, Rasiklal Chandulal, Mansukhlal Maganlal and Amritlal Chimanlal to return their licences in Collector's office.

COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST TWO MILLS

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, May 26

The Rationing Police Officer has lodged complaints against Sarangpur Cotton Mill of Seth Sakarlal Balubhai, President, Millowners' Association and Laxmi Cotton Mill, under 81(4) of D.I.R., for printing double rates and texmark on cloth. The police raided some shops at Ratanpole and Panchkuva and found such cloth.

RELEASED UNCONDITIONALLY

SHOLAPUR, May 26.—Mr. B. L. Kawadi, a prominent Congressman and a member of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee was released unconditionally from the Nasik jail yesterday. He arrived in Sholapur shortly after his release.—United Press

Members of the India delegation to the 26th International Labour Organisation Conference in Philadelphia, listen to an English translation of a speech made by one of the delegates of the 41 united and associated nations represented at the sessions Left to right are: Sir Samuel Runganathan, government delegate; H. C. Prior, government delegate; D. G. Mulherkar, employers' delegate and Jamnadas Mehta, workers' delegate.

Allies Capture Cisterna: Hitler Line Smashed

ANZIO BEACH-HEAD (ITALY), May 26.

Cisterna has been captured.

Cisterna fell to the Allied beach-head forces after continuous and exceedingly bitter fighting lasting over 24 hours.

Cisterna fell at 4-15 p.m. to-day. Very few prisoners were taken—an indication of the severity of the fighting.

Reuter adds that Cisterna is about 13 miles from the landing base it is about 25 miles south-east of Rome and has an important airfield.

The Allies are now only twenty-one miles from Rome. They are only about three miles from Velletri, a strong point on Marshal Kesselring's last possible defence line.

BATTLE RAGES WITH UNABATED FURY

BERLIN, May 26.—A German 'communique' to-day said: "In the battle area of Cisterna strong enemy tank formations have thrust forward to the north. Heavy fighting has thus shifted into the area south and east of Velletri where bitter fighting is going on.

East of the Liri, the enemy with strong forces continued his attacks against the Melfa sector. He was able to gain a foothold on the northern bank of the river. The battle is continuing here with unabated fury.

LITTORIA TOO FALLS

Mediterranean Allied Advance Headquarters announce that Allied forces have occupied Littoria which is in the Pontine Marshes, 35 miles south-east of Rome.

Abdul Khalek Quereshi, special correspondent of the "Associated Press of India" with the Eighth Army cables:—

With the occupation of Aquino and Piedimonte by the British and Polish troops of the Eighth Army the Hitler Line has been liquidated.

Fifth Army troops have entered the towns of Littoria, Sabaudia and Pontine without opposition. Marshal Kesselring's men are determinedly resisting Franco-American onslaughts against the strongpoints of Pastena and Sangiovanno in the northern sector of the Fifth Army's main front. Beach-head troops are moving on beyond Cisterna against well organised defences.

The Algiers radio this afternoon reported the occupation of the towns of Vallecorsa—south-west of Pastena—and Colle Grande both on the main Fifth Army front.

HITLER LINE SWEPT AWAY

The Hitler Line has been swept away. The Eighth Army bridgehead across the Melfa river has been substantially widened. The river was crossed at a broken part of her otherwise steep banks. The water-level was only two feet and the hard gravel at the bottom further facilitated fording. Following the tanks across are tractors, scrapers, rollers and construction equipment. Old thick-hedged country paths are being widened and new roads being built as speedily as the advance of Canadian armour.

The Germans seem determined to make a stand along the Arce-Pranco Sangiovanni Line. That explains the stiffening resistance particularly against Franco-Americans of the Fifth Army who, by the capture of mountain features, are threatening a good part of the Pico-Sangiovanni Road astride the western side of the Liri Valley.

PONTINE MARSHES OCCUPIED

After establishing contact between the two fronts near the village of Borgograppa, the Fifth Army continued the occupation of the whole of the Pontine Marshes area which abounds in pastures, forests and underwood. The town of Sabaudia which Mussolini founded in 1933 and which stood in the province of Littoria as a symbol of Fascism, was found unoccupied by the Fifth Army. Further north the town of Pontine near Via Appia was also found abandoned. There was no German opposition when the Fifth Army occupied earlier in the day the provincial capital of Littoria.

CISTERNA BATTLE

Driving wedges around Cisterna deeper, the Fifth Army by noon on Thursday had surrounded this key-town to a depth as great as 6,000 yards to the north and north-east. The ring gradually closed in. Marshal Kesselring fought like a cat. He was trapped, but that made no difference. Resistance continued till the very centre of the town. After four hours of gruelling struggle it was all over. The Germans suffered heavy casualties, including one hundred prisoners and Cisterna at long last was in Allied hands. Beyond Cisterna, the Fifth Army cut the important Cisterna Road as well as the lateral secondary road crossing it a few hundred yards north of Cisterna.—Reuter.

EXPLOSION ENQUIRY

Public Invited To Give Evidence

While the Commission of Inquiry into the Bombay Disaster has now obtained a considerable amount of evidence in relation to investigations into the cause and origin of the fire which broke out in a ship lying alongside No. 1 berth, Victoria Dock, on April 14 and the adequacy or otherwise of the steps taken between the discovery of the fire and the first explosion, members of the public who can give any information upon any of the following matters are invited to come forward and give evidence:

Information tending to show the cause or origin of the fire in the ship; and information tending to show the effectiveness or otherwise of the steps taken after the discovery of the outbreak of fire.

The Commission does not desire at this stage to hear any evidence with regard to what happened after the first explosion. A public announcement will be made in due course when the Commission desires to hear such evidence.

Any person able to assist the Commission with evidence under either of the heads abovementioned should send his name and address, with a short resume of the evidence that he can give, to the Secretary, Commission of Inquiry (Bombay Disaster), Council Hall, Fort, Bombay and, if so desired, should state the time and day which will be most convenient for him to attend to give evidence. Witnesses should not call in person until they receive a notification from the Secretary as to the hour at which they would be requested to attend.

JITTERS FOR JAPS

LONDON, May 26.

A Japanese Navy spokesman in a broadcast on the "Japanese Navy Day", to-day quoted by the German Trans Ocean News Agency said, "situation in Central and South Pacific is serious.

It may be compared to a fire which has started at a corner of Japan. It must be extinguished at once before if becomes a major conflagration. Japan must stop the Allied offensive and go over to attack."—Reuter.

Chinese Successes On Yunnan Front

CHUNGKING, May 26.

The Chinese have scored local successes in the Mamien pass region and inflicted considerable casualties on the Japanese in the Hungmushu area of the Yunnan front, says a Chinese 'communique.'

In an attempt to escape the Chinese trap at Tatangtzu yesterday the Japanese suffered heavy losses.—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

Cotton (July)

New York, May 26.

Previous Closing	20.84
Today's Opening	20.84
Difference	Nil
Today's Closing	20.83
Difference	—01

Jap Reinforcements For Myitkyina Cut Off

KANDY, (Ceylon) May 26.

At least 8,500 Japanese soldiers have been killed in the present operations at Imphal, it was stated in to-day's 'communique' from Admiral Mountbatten's Headquarters.

General Stilwell's forces continued their pressure north-west of Myitkyina. Japanese reinforcements approaching Myitkyina from the west have been cut off and suffered severe casualties. Heavy fighting continues in the Bishenpur area, south of the Imphal plain. The Japanese failed to penetrate the Allied positions.

Heavy Fighting In Bishenpur Area

General Stilwell's forces continued their pressure north-west of Myitkyina, says to-day's S.E.A.C. 'communique.'

Another column attacking on the north side of the town killed over 50 Japanese; our casualties were light. At Namkwi, our troops cut off enemy reinforcements approaching Myitkyina from the west and inflicted severe casualties.

In the Mogaung Valley, the Chinese 22nd Division destroyed Japanese positions south-east of Malakawng.

In the neighbourhood of Kohima, our patrols were active. Our columns are harassing the enemy's supply routes on his northern flank.

Around the Imphal plain, heavy fighting continues in the Bishenpur area. Our forces are still mopping up isolated enemy parties. In the recent operations, the enemy has again failed to penetrate our positions and has suffered heavy casualties.

On the Palel-Tamu Road, there has been a lull after the recent heavy attacks on our forward positions, in this, the enemy was thrown back in disorder, leaving some 200 killed and abandoning eight machine-guns.

Elsewhere in the Imphal sector, operations were on a reduced scale.

SURESH VAIDYA BACK IN LONDON

No Going Back On Belief In Political Creed

(From A Special Correspondent)

LONDON, May 26: Mr. Suresh Vaidya, the Indian journalist, who was released from military prison last night, arrived here early this morning. He was received at the station by Mr. Fenner Brockway, former independent Labour M.P. and numerous Indian friends.

In a statement, Mr. Vaidya said: "I have no complaint to make about my prison life, but it is certainly not a bed of roses. I am tired and want good rest before I think out my future plans; one thing is certain that there is no going back on what I declared as my political faith—work for India's freedom without fear or favour. I consider my life dedicated to my motherland's service."

MAHATMA RESPONDS TO PRAYER FROM PEOPLE

Large Crowd Defies Sweltering Heat And Flocks On Juhu Sands Eager For 'Darshan'

BOMBAY, Friday.

A crowd of five hundred people who defied the broiling heat of the sun and thronged the Juhu sands from an early hour of the afternoon, with a lingering hope of being able to have Gandhiji's "darshan" before sunset, moved Mahatmaji into changing his plans for the evening prayer to-day.

Though the papers announced in the morning a decision at "Gandhi Gram" that prayers would not be held in public till Sunday, in view of the high tide, Gandhiji walked down from his shack at 7-30 p.m., and took his seat on a "gadi" in front of the waiting crowds. Those in attendance on Gandhiji said that he was deeply moved on seeing the waiting congregation and did not have the heart to deprive them of an opportunity of joining in the prayers.

"PRASAD" FOR A RUPEE

A basket of mangoes and oranges was waiting in a corner during prayer time, to be brought into public view after prayers to be distributed by Gandhiji as "prasad" to those who gave a rupee each for the Harijan Fund.

Four Doctors—Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Dr. Sushila Nayar, Dr. K. T. Gajjar and Dr. Nathoobhai Patel signed today the medical bulletin which stated:—

"Gandhiji had a quiet day and restful night. Otherwise his condition remains much the same.

"No more bulletins will be issued unless there is any fresh development. It must be understood that restrictions on visits etc. will be continued till further notice."

Gandhiji May Have Another Period Of Silence

The decision not to issue health bulletins in the future, unless it be deemed necessary is regarded as indicative of slight improvement in Gandhiji's health.

His self-imposed silence which he is to break on Monday may be one of the factors which has reduced considerably strain which otherwise would have been caused to him. And if this period of silence has effected in his health a change for the better, another period of silence which Gandhiji may stipulate and impose upon himself may be medically suggested.

Dr. Nathubhai Patel, one of the signatories to today's health bulletin on Gandhiji, treated Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, when the latter fell ill after his release from detention in the last symbolic individual Satyagraha movement.

BHULABHAI SEES MAHATMA

There were very few visitors to Gandhiji's shack during the day, one of them being Mr. Bhulabhai Desai.

In the afternoon the well-known vocalist from Lahore, Bade Gulamalikhan rendered a "bhajan" on Ram.

"You have given me sweet bhajan", said Gandhiji in a letter he scribbled and handed over to the musician. "I have heard very little of music from Ustads. I like songs which are in the praise of God."

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu had a visitor from the filmland in the evening—Devika Rani.

MADRAS BAN ON CONGRESSMEN'S MEETING

MADRAS, May 26.

The Commissioner of Police, Madras, has, refused permission for the holding of the meeting of Congressmen at the Gokhale Hall on June, 10.

It may be recalled that Mrs. Rukmani Lakshmipathi and Mr. Koti Reddi, Vice-Presidents of the Tamil Nad and Andhra Provincial Congress Committees respectively had sought permission to hold a meeting of Congressmen in the Province for reviewing the political situation consequent on Mahatma Gandhi's release.—A.P.

Birmingham Indians Seek Gandhiji's Advice

BIRMINGHAM, May 26: Dr. D. R. Prem, Honorary Secretary of the India Relief Committee, Secretary of the Birmingham Indian Association and prospective candidate for a Birmingham Division said to-day that the Relief Committee were "very pleased" to hear of the news of the unconditional release of Mr. Gandhi.

"Indians in this country", he said, "wish to play their part in world affairs as effectively as anyone else. But they believe that they cannot do so as long as the Indian deadlock remains. The initiative is still in the hands of the British Government. They can restore mutual confidence and friendly Indo-British relations by releasing all other leaders from detention. From the present mood of Indian leaders, both Hindu and Moslem, I am quite confident that given an opportunity to meet together they will reach an agreement.

"Now that Mr. Gandhi's health is improving and he is beginning to take part in public activities, I have sent him a message appealing to him to come to a settlement with Moslem leaders.

I have also requested him to give his advice on the following points:

(1) For attitude towards the War and Japan;

(2) The advisability of our propaganda here for the Congress point of view;

(3) Whether or not my intention to oppose the Secretary of State for India in the next General Election is right.

Mr. Gandhi's reply on these points will greatly help Indians here."—Reuter.

"PLEASE NOTE MY PROTEST"

Punjab Premier's Telegram To League Secretary

LAHORE, May 26: Malik Khizr Hyat Khan Tiwana, Premier of the Punjab, has sent the following telegram to Nawabzada Liaqatali Khan, Convener of the Committee of Action of the All-India Muslim League:

"Your telegram reported in the press but not yet received by me. Indicate the Committee's intention to decide the matter finally on the 27th without answering my question about Jinnah-Shikandar Pact. This action will deprive me of an opportunity to clear misunderstanding. Please note my protest, if any, such course is adopted."—A. P.

STOP PRESS

MORE ALLIED GAINS

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ITALY May 26.—The Eighth Army have captured the town of Roccasecca and Mount Cairo, it is stated here.

Fifth Army troops have captured Cori, San Giovanni on the southern edge of the Liri Valley has also been captured.—Reuter.

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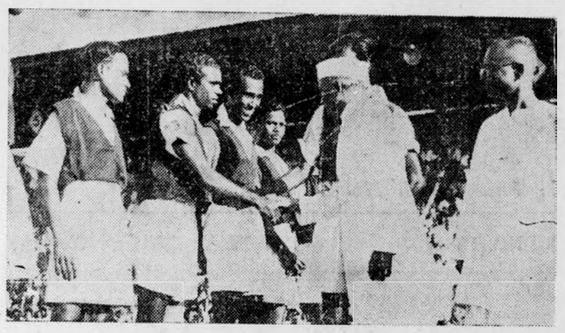

Indian XI who participated in the Exhibition Match for relief of Bombay explosion victims, being introduced to the Mayor on Sunday evening.

Scindias Are Not Keeping Back Young Indians From Advancing

Walchand's Repply To "Dufferin" Old Cadets' Association

"The Scindia Company has given employment to the largest number of "Dufferin" cadets as Officers on its ships, it has sent some of them to England at its own cost to enable them to acquire higher qualifications, it has fought for securing for these Cadets the right of entry in the Royal Indian Navy and the Pilot Services, it has released after the war 20 per cent of its Executive Officers to join the Navy and Pilot Services. Our policy, therefore, has not been to keep back young Indians from advancing in their profession, but on the contrary we have always helped them to rise in their career at sea and we shall, I can assure you, continue to do so in the future as in the past", remarked Mr. Walchand Hirachand, Chairman of the Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., in the course of an interview which he gave to our special representative this morning.

"If that is your policy, Mr. Walchand, then why are you not releasing four of your Officers to join the Bombay Pilot Service?" inquired our representative.

"Nothing would have given us greater pleasure than to do so, if it were possible. After releasing 20 per cent of our Executive Officers, it will be appreciated that we cannot release more as we have also to run our ships and they must be properly manned", replied Mr. Walchand.

"It is, however, contended that you are over-staffed and that you have enough personnel to man double the number of your ships. Then how is it that you cannot release four Officers?" queried our representative.

"I must tell you that that is hardly a correct statement of the position. As a matter of fact, we are to-day short by two Officers in our fleet even after employing 12 Officers with Home Trade Tickets who are not employed in foreign going ships in normal times. It is true that there are a number of Officers on leave. Some of them have been away for more than six to nine months. Several of the Officers who are on active service have been asking for leave since a very long time, but as those who have gone on leave are not returning the Company finds it extremely difficult even to give leave to their over-worked Officers. 12 Officers are urgently in need of leave, but I regret to say that only 8 Officers out of 22 who are on leave have so far given definite indications about rejoining. How is it possible, under the circumstances, to release any Officer if the ships are to be run?" rejoined Mr. Walchand.

"Is there not, however, a complaint against you, Mr. Walchand, that while the law requires the engagement of only 2 Officers per ship, you are manning your ship with 4 Officers and are thus preventing several Officers from bettering their prospects? asked our representative.

"Any one who knows what the manning of a ship is will tell you that even in peace times, it is necessary to have 4 Officers on a ship, much more so in times of war. Capt. Digby-Beste who is responsible for making the "Dufferin" what it is, told us only recently that it is essential that there must be 4 Officers per ship. If any one therefore contends that 2 Officers as required technically by law would be enough for running a ship, I can only say that he is deliberately ignoring the stern realities of life and work at sea. We have got only 62 Officers on 16 ships. We are, therefore, actually short by 2 Officers as I have already stated. It is quite wrong to say that there is any pool of surplus Officers with the Company and that the Company is not allowing its Officers to better their prospects", explained Mr. Walchand with some warmth.

"There is another charge against you, Mr. Walchand, and that is, that although 35 Indians have obtained their Master's Ticket, you have not given the command of a ship, even to a single Indian Officer as yet. Is not, therefore, the charge true that you are deliberately keeping young Indians from advancing in their profession?" inquired our representative.

"In the first place, 35 Indians who have obtained their Master's Ticket are not all with us. Only 15 Indian Officers with Master's Ticket are with us. None of these Officers has got more than 2½ years experience as Chief Officer and none has got more than 9 years sea experience. You will realise that mere obtaining of a Master's Ticket does not qualify an Officer to be the Captain of a ship. Experience and work at sea for a fairly long period are essential for this purpose. The Scindia Company has given comparatively early promotion to the Indian Officers and 8 of them are today working as Chief Officers on its ships. There are 8 other non-Indians working as Chief Officers some of whom have got experience extending over 10 years. Consistently, therefore, with efficiency and the right of seniority you can take it from me that the Scindia Company will give charge of ships to these young Indians at the earliest date possible. You will, however, appreciate that the Company cannot dismiss the existing Officers who have served it faithfully to make room for those who have obtained their Master's Ticket. Efficiency, experience, and practical considerations must have their place in promotion to the highest positions in the Merchant Navy. I need hardly state in view of the past record and policy of the Company and my own keenness for Indianisation that this policy of complete Indianisation is and will continue to be implemented," observed Mr. Walchand.

"I see your point, Mr. Walchand, but tell me whether it is not correct that you are importing Europeans to this country to fill the higher posts while Indians holding Master's Ticket are not even employed as Second Officers," asked our representative.

"I wish people make sure of their facts before they level such a charge," remarked Mr. Walchand and added that "the Company has not recruited a single fresh Officer from abroad for the last 5 years and has been doing its best to absorb Indians as Officers on its ships. Some kind critics say that we are not helping the young Indians to rise in their profession. You will be interested to know that even the Officers whom we have relieved to join the Royal Indian Navy have been assured, in response to their request, that their right of seniority with the Company would remain whenever they found it necessary to rejoin our service after their period of temporary commission was over. You can take it from me that there is no discrimination between Indian Officers and European Officers serving in the fleet of the Scindia. They are all treated equally in regard to their pay and other conditions of service," pointed out Mr. Walchand.

"But, is it not your duty, Mr. Walchand, to see that suitable Indians man the Pilot Services of the country also as you have always stood for the Indianisation of the maritime services of the country and could you not, therefore, evolve some method to achieve this end?" asked our representative.

"While I assure you that if we find that we can release some of our Officers to join the Pilot Services, we shall do so at the earliest moment possible, unfortunately at present we are helpless for reasons I have explained. There is one thing, however, which I would request our young Indian friends to remember namely that if the object with which the "Dufferin" ship was established is to be really achieved, they should give their best thought to the advice recently given by Admiral Godfrey so far as the Navy was concerned and which is equally applicable to the Mercantile Marine that

"If India was anxious to have a Navy worthy of her name, the Officers and men would have to be recruited from men who wish to make the sea their career for all time and not as a stepping stone to a comfortable billet on land."

The success of our efforts to build up an entirely Indian personnel for the sea service in the Indian Mercantile Marine will depend upon the spirit with which the young Indians will adopt the sea as their career for all time and the willing co-operation which it will be our good fortune to secure from them for this purpose," concluded Mr. Walchand.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I hear Mr. Nagindas Master, or rather His Worship the Mayor, has been having long telephone conversations with Mr. Soonderdas Morarji on what this HINDU swimming bath is all about and whether it is all right for him to preside. The Mayor has now been convinced that everything is all right because the function in question is a cosmopolitan one and he is likely to issue a small statement to this effect. That is not the point, Mr. Master. It is not the function we are complaining about, but the institution. The very idea of communalism in sport is repugnant to us and some of us feel that a Congress Mayor should not be seen at a place which is communal for 364 days of the year, and only on the 365th day awakens to an INDIAN way of thinking. This is a small incident but it is out of such small incidents that the future of our young men and women will shape. If the HINDUS want their own swimming pool they are perfectly at liberty to have one, but let them get a Mahashabha figure to preside over it. For a Congress Mayor to be seen at such a place is not exactly in keeping with the Gandhi tradition.

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Fellow journalist Abbas has just done a book on the story of the Congress Medical Mission to China and how "One did not come back". I have only just received a copy from the Publishers, but even a quick glance through it makes me feel that this is the best thing Abbas has done so far.

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The first batch of Amery's Last Words have been received. One of two are very good, but more are wanted. Please hurry up.

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FAMOUS LAST WORDS

Sir H. P. Mody: "My politics are a peculiar shade of blue and green—chiefly green."

POLISH PATRIOTS ACCUSED THEIR GOVT. IN LONDON

(From A Special Correspondent)
LONDON, May 25.

The representative of the Polish National Council are now in Moscow.

The Moscow Radio broadcast a statement issued by the Presidium of the Union Patriots. The statement runs: "Few days ago the representatives of the Polish National Council having crossed the front line from Poland occupied by the Germans arrived in Moscow. The National Council was formed on the first of January, 1944 in Warsaw by the Democratic Parties and groups which are fighting against the German invaders."

The National Council consists of the Peasant Party, and a group of democrats without party in the underground Trade Union Movement.

In the situation which exists in Poland under the bloody yoke of German invaders it became necessary to create a centre which should organise the fighting against the Germans and co-ordinate all efforts of the Polish people for their liberation from the Germans. All hopes which the Polish people had in connection with the Polish Government in London have proved futile. The Government in London not only did not wage a fighting against the Germans, not only did it appeal to the people for inactivity but it is stated to be against those Polish patriots who fought against the Hitlerites.

R. A. F.'s BRILLIANT DISPLAY

Why Indians Failed In Exhibition Soccer Match At Parel

(BY FREE LANCE)

The Indian Football League may well congratulate itself on the great success which the Exhibition matches arranged by it in aid of the Mayor's Emergency Relief Fund, met with at the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana ground, Parel, on Sunday last. The Fund benefited to the extent of Rs. 2,500. This is incidentally a record collection for the Parel ground. Last highest was Rs. 2,050 realised for Bengal Famine Relief last year.

The professional players of the Royal Air Force who gave a sparkling display of soccer, won by the substantial margin of 5 goals to 2. They proved superior to the Indians in every department of the game and were full value for their success. While Curtis, Wildon and Wrigglesworth nonplussed the Indian defenders many a time by their ingenuous passes and clever thrusts at the goal, Harper and Co. set up a three-backs barricade which the Indian invaders found very difficult to pass.

WEAK COMBINATION AND WRONG TACTICS

The Indian combination, on the other hand, was thrown out of gear owing to the absence of Rathnam in the deep defence and Raymond in the attacking line due to illness. On the top of it, Anthony proved unequal to the job of the pivot and Rashad and Kadirvelu were off colour. If the Indian Custodian were anywhere near his usual form—or rather if he has taken less risks, the second and the third goals would never have been scored by the Airmen. Undoubtedly these unexpected set-backs upset the Indian players greatly. To make matters worse, they resorted to the short-passing game and lost whatever chances they had of scoring. Needless dodging and dribbling by the inside forwards were also in a measure responsible for the downfall.

INDIANS ASSET

It was a grand day for the barefooted footballers but they hopelessly failed to take full advantage of the favourable conditions. Had thus utilised the wingers to the utmost, the game might have told a different tale. Indian players must remember that their greatest asset is their speed. If they do not make full use of it, they can never hope to win against first rate teams. The positional changes which Alexander, the Indian Captain, made in the second half were brainy was shown by the decided improvement in the Indian attack and defence. With a little more luck and accurate shooting by Bhimrao and Rashad the Indians might have emerged out of the fray in better colours. Anyway it was a grant treat which all soccer-lovers heartily enjoyed.

CALCUTTA, May 25: Information has been received from Benares of the death there on Monday of the well-known Sanskrit Scholar, Pandit Pramathanath Tarkabhushan at one time head of the Oriental Department of the Calcutta Sanskrit College and later, head of the Oriental Department of the Benares Hindu University.

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To-day's Engagements

MUSLIM MOHOLLA TENANTS LEAGUE:—A meeting of the Working Committee of the League under the presidentship of Mr. Adam Adil, at Hujaria Moholla, at 10 p.m.

BOMBAY SPIRITUAL CENTRE:—At Wassoodew Bhuvan, 2, Laburnum Road, Gamdevi, discourse on Jnaneshwari in Marathi by Sri D. V. Subnis at 5 p.m.

SWIMMING GALA:—Under the auspices of P. M. Hindu-Swimming Pool Bombay Provincial Salt-Water Swimming Championship has been arranged today and tomorrow (Sunday). The Mayor of Bombay will preside and distribute the prizes. This Swimming competition gala is open for all communities.

SOCIETY OF INDIAN MAGICIANS:—At 6-30 p.m. at Nasik Chambers, Frere Road, Fort, Bombay.

CHIKITSAKA SAMOOHA PAST STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION:—Musical Concert by Miss Vinodini Desai at 9 p.m. (N.S.T.) in the Wagle Memorial Hall of C. S. Shirolkar High School, Kandewadi, Bombay 4. Tickets at Association's Office.

MUSLIM NATIONAL GUARDS:—The Committee of Action of the All-India Muslim League has recently appointed Nawab Siddik Ali Khan, M.L.A. (Central) as the Salare-Ala, (Chief of the All-India Muslim National Guards). He has been entrusted with the work of reorganising the Muslim National Guards throughout the Country and he has already started his tour. He arrived in Bombay on the 25th and the same evening a meeting of the Muslim National Guards Organising Committee and some of the League Workers was held when Mr. Abdul Kadir Shaikh, Chairman of the Civil Defence Committee presided. In consultation with the members of the said Committee, Nawab Siddik Ali Khan appointed Mr. Syed Hashamali Inamdar, as the Salare-Suba of the Bombay Province under Rule 14(c) of the Constitution and Rules of the All-India Muslim League National Guards.

MILITARY CONTRIBUTION TO MAYOR'S FUND:—Military units in Bombay have contributed Rs. 500 for the relief of distress caused by the recent explosions and fire. The cheque has been handed over to the Bombay Citizens' Emergency Relief Fund.

FREE PRIMARY SCHOOL:—The Desha Bhakta Karnad Sadashiva Rao Kannada Primary School, situated at Dwarkadas Mansion, Benham Hall Lane, Girgaum, will reopen on 5th June 1944. For admission form and necessary particulars, please apply to the Hon. Secretary, Laxmi Nivas, 314-Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay.

BY T. V. P.

"Mahakavi Kalidas" of Rajalakshmi Pictures was released at Krishna on Friday to crowded houses. It is a costume picture of a high order, with wonderful work to the credit of Pahari Sanyal, Vanmala and Snehaprabha. Snehaprabha's songs and acting are particularly praiseworthy. Her hymns to Saraswati will be long remembered and initiated.

Sudhir Sen, who has directed the picture has properly conceived the atmosphere of the days of Vikramaditya and developed a good biographical of Kalidas with very flimsy material for a biography. It is more a piece of imagination well employed than history reproduced. Shakir, Nalini Gupte, Ullhas and Leela Mishra in supporting cast have given a good account of themselves.

KADAMBARI BREAKS RECORDS

"Kadambari" at Roxy has completed two very successful weeks. The first week's gross collections as already reported were over Rs. 28,000. That was more than what 'Kismet' and 'Taqdeer' had bagged. The second week has given even a bigger surprise without there being a single holiday the collections amounted to Rs. 27,000. "Kadambari" as a show is such as any exhibitor should be proud of.

"Bansari" at Royal Opera House stars Charlie, who is a fund of entertainment by himself. The story concerns a prodigal son played by Ishwarlal. Shamim and Urmila are there as the two women to complete a triangle with Ishwarlal. This is a Jayant Desai picture under Ranjit banner.

"Police" of Prakash Pictures has proved a box-office success. It has the well-known Ratnamala for its heroine and Prem Adib for its hero. Jeevan is said to have done some specially good entertainment work in the film.

SUCCESS OF "SOONBAI"

"Soonbai" at Central is a Marathi picture by Bhal Pendharkar. It has a very smart dialogue and the subject-matter is criticism of cheap blind imitation of western ways of living by Indians. The story has been

Ashalata in "Char Ankhe" Imperial

Shanta Apte and Pahari Sanyal in a scene from "Kadambari" at Roxy

nicely directed and Vithal, Dinkar, Sumati Gupte and Chintaman Kolhatkar have given fine impersonations of life-like characters from the southern Mahratta country.

"Char Ankhen" at Imperial is remarkable for some nice acting by Ashalata as a fallen woman, who later reforms herself.

"Pathronka Saudagar" at Minerva, "Mali" at Novelty, "Shakuntala" at Swastik, "Ramrajya" at Super, "Nai Duniya" at Majestic, "Shukriya" at West End, "Zaban" at Lamington are quite popular old-timers. "Manorama" which will replace "Shukriya" at West End at the next change is a comedy about married life by Jayant Desai.

COMING NEW FILMS

Mehboob's "Humayun", has gone on the sets. Ashok Kumar, Veena and Chandramohan have been selected for star roles. Gulam Haider will be in charge of music and Agha Jani Kashmiri will write the screenplay and dialogue.

Jayant Desai has also started his new picture at Jupitor studios and has selected Ramola, Maya Banerji and Ishwarlal among his cast.

Mr. Anant Hari Gadre, Publicity Chief of Minerva for many years is celebrating the silver jubilee of his entry into publicity work on Sunday at West End. He will entertain friends to tea, a musical treat by Mrs. Hirabai Barodekar and a dance by Rohini Wagle.

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FILM STARS ON STAGE IN AID OF EXPLOSION VICTIMS:—The Mayor of Bombay Mr. Nagindas Master presides over the concert organised by the Roxena Club in aid of the sufferers of the explosion of 14th April to be held at Sir Cawasjee Jehangir Hall tomorrow (Sunday). Prominent film stars like Jahanara Kajjan, K. C. Dey, Surendra, Alaknanda, Jaykumari Johra Ambalawadi, Balwant Singh and many others appear on the stage.

RASHTRABHASHA RATNA EXAM.

Ahmedabad Organizing Secretary of the Gujarat Provincial Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti informs that the last date for accepting forms for the Wardha Ratna Examination is 31st May.

FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION:—Mr. V. R. Rao, will speak on "Art in the Soviet Union" today (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Girgaon Office, 48, Benham Hall Lane, Girgaon.

Our Bhopal correspondent wires to say the Bhopal sweepers of the Bhopal Municipal Board went on strike on the 23rd instant. The strike was due to non-payment of their pay for the last two months.

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Most of the industrial publications have been thoroughly revised and are running into third editions. Reviews appeared in leading newspapers. For price lists of these publications please write to the Secretary, A.I.V.I.A., Wardha, C.P.

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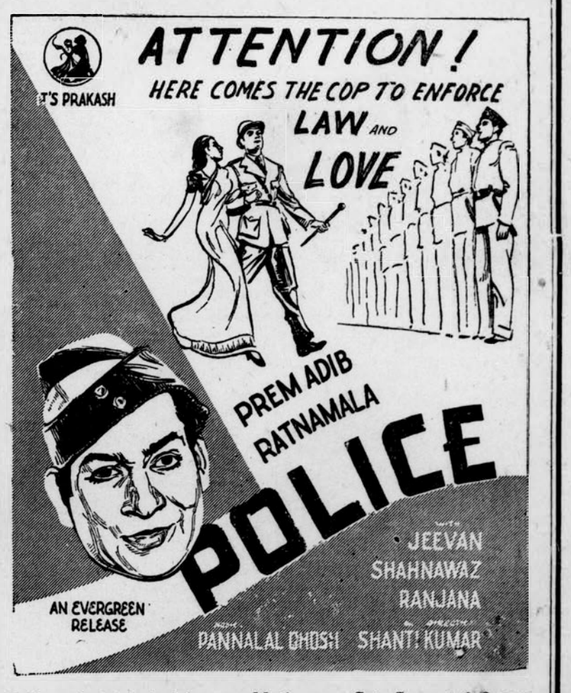

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By order of the Governor of Bombay.

A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.

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If you want any changes to be made in your card (e.g. change of address), first draw your ration for the week and then present the card at the Ward Office together with the relevant form duly filled in. If you do this you will not lose your ration for that week even if some alterations, which require verification, take some time.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA May 26.—The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 22/5/44:—

Allahabad 112 83 0, BOMBAY 92 81 0, Calcutta 100 81 0, Cawnpore 112 82 0, Cuttack 103 78 T, Darjeeling 65 52 0.1, Delhi 112 82 0, Dehra Dun 102 71 0, Jacobabad 115 79 0, Karachi 89 81 0, Lahore 109 71 0, Lucknow 114 81 P, Madras 105 84 0, Nagpur 110 87 0, Patna 109 81 0, Peshawar 100 70 0, Shillong 75 57 T, Simla 78 63 0.—A. P. t

'Quake Shock At 5,100 Miles From Bombay

BOMBAY, May 26.

An earthquake shock of moderate intensity with its epicentre about 5,100 miles away from Bombay and with a probable focal depth of about 60-miles was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory at 7-37 a.m. (I.S.T.) on Thursday May 27.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Every great advance in natural knowledge has involved the absolute rejection of authority.
—Prof. Thomas H. Huxley.

The Bombay Chronicle

GANDHIJI'S HEALTH

It is now three weeks since Gandhiji was released and two weeks since he was brought to Juhu for a speedier recovery. He has doubtless recovered perceptibly. He has no fever, has regained his lost weight and is strong enough to take a stroll every morning on the beach sands and to stand the crowds and slight demonstration at the evening public prayers. But it is said that his anaemia persists, as a result of which he soon gets tired and is unable to concentrate attention on any subject for more than a few minutes. In short his recovery, though perceptible, is very slow. For this there are several reasons. First, Gandhiji always a difficult patient seems to be more so now than ever before, relying more upon his necessarily limited knowledge of naturopathy than on the advice of experts, ever ready to help him. Secondly, the doctors in attendance seem to have been less firm than they might have been in prohibiting interviews and other avoidable causes of strain. Many of his friends and admirers have consulted their own satisfaction more than his health, making the doctors feel and say to themselves, "Save him from his friends". Finally, many about him appear to have thought that a little word or a little thought about some big political subject or individual cannot be a serious strain. Each topic by itself seemed quite harmless but the cumulative effect was not slight and has much retarded his recovery.

Now, considering that Gandhiji's health is a national asset, every possible attempt must be made to expedite his complete recovery. And, apart from purely medical treatment, the many attempts, necessarily superficial and one-sided but exhausting to deal with current politics should, we suggest, be strictly tabooed till complete recovery is ensured. This is necessary not only in the interests of his health but also of correct solutions of our problems. Many may seek to take advantage of his tired feeling and tempt him to commit himself, in a moment of weakness, to some apparently easy but in the long run injurious solution of a problem. To avoid a possible error Gandhiji will certainly consult various interests as he has already started doing and as he should do before he makes a considered statement on the political situation. All this is necessary at some stage. But just at present it is not desirable as a superficial attempt to tackle any problem may lead to a serious error and a thorough one will involve serious strain. It is far better that for a few days more Gandhiji should scrupulously eschew politics, though his secretary and others may collect materials for a thorough discussion at a later stage.

Kasturba Memorial Fund

The appeals issued by Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, President of the Bombay Committee of the Kasturba Memorial Fund, and by the Mayor of Bombay for generous contributions to the Fund from the city are rather late, thanks to the preoccupations of the people of the city with the urgent needs of those rendered destitute by the dock explosions and fires. But the very lateness of the appeal demands prompt response to them and also strenuous efforts by the Bombay Committee. The Mayor, who knows the generosity of the Bombay people well, has reason to trust that "without any efforts on the part of the organisers, people will of their own accord subscribe voluntarily and liberally to the Fund." But the organisers will not, we are confident, put off making their own efforts. The first published list contributions in the city received up to the 20th instant shows that by that date only Rs. 56,004 was received and that of this 31,001 was contributed by the Devkaran Nanjee concerns alone. This does not do justice to the city or the City Collection Committee. In this connection it is encouraging to learn that the Paramount Film Company of America has undertaken to make propaganda for the Fund and the various schemes to be executed with the help of the Fund.

As regards the details of the schemes, it is learnt that it includes the construction of a hospital for women in every city and town out of the funds collected from that city or town. If the information is correct, it is most welcome and deserves to be widely advertised. That will stimulate the collection of funds in every city and town and will thus help a double cause. At a public meeting of Harijan workers of Coimbatore Mr. A. V. Thakkar stated that a part of the collections would be utilised to give education to Harijan women. This also is good news and needs to be better known, so as to encourage collections for the Fund. In short all the essential details of the scheme, as determined so far, should be published widely and soon.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Sargent Scheme Of Education

In his address to the East India Association in London Mr. John Sargent, Educational Adviser to the Government of India, frankly stated: "My experience in India has shown me that a report is only too often treated as an alternative to action." It may be remembered in this connection that the Government of India has recently appointed a pretty large number of committees, which are producing a good crop of reports about many and big things to be done after the war. The reports may or may not be alternatives to action in the future. Many of them have certainly been so now. And about the Sargent report Lord Wavell has plainly stated that India has simply no funds for the scheme, at any rate for the present. Mr. Sargent, however, refuses to be satisfied with a mutilated scheme. He wants the whole scheme and that "without delay", pointing out that "neither time nor cost can materially be reduced since everything depends on properly trained and paid teachers." Mr. Sargent's enthusiasm is most commendable. But the present Government of India is hardly fitted for any big venture. However, the days of the present regime are numbered. A National Government may be trusted to go even farther than the Sargent scheme, so far at any rate as mass education is concerned.

The Lesson Of Sind

The Parsis of Karachi, who had hitherto three seats in the Corporation under a system of joint electorates, are now given, under the new system of communal electorates, only one seat jointly with the Jews. Prof. P. A. Wadia, President of the Freedom Group, rightly urges the Parsis of Bombay to take to heart the lesson of Karachi and to realise that they can, as they have done in the past, fare far better under general electorates than under separate communal ones. He enumerates a sound general principle when he adds: "A national body alone can guard national interests. Small minorities can, therefore, guard their interests best by closer association with a national body." It should, indeed, be obvious that under separate electorates the Parsis cannot get more seats than their population warrants. And their representatives, being necessarily regarded as spokesmen of a small communal in their outlook, will not get much support from other constituencies. On the contrary, under general electorates, a highly educated and enterprising community like the Parsis can easily get more seats than their population warrants and they will be backed by many more representing the general electorates. This has been the secret of the Parsis' success in Bombay these many years. They should take care not to be deceived by the lure of communalism.

Literacy In Bombay

It is gratifying to note that the Literacy movement initiated by the Congress Government is still making appreciable progress, though the pace is much slower than it could be or was intended to be. During the last official year 14,000 adults become literate in the city, 3,000 among them being women, while the corresponding figures for the last year were 11,600 and 2,030. We have not the least doubt that if Government and the Municipality give higher grants and other necessary facilities the results can be much better still.

SARGENT SAYS 'ALL OR NOTHING'

India Must Not Stint Its Post-War Educational Scheme

LONDON, May 25: The Education Adviser to the Government of India, Mr. John Sargent, told the East India Association to-day, that the acceptance of anything less than the Central Advisory Board of the Education plan for post-war educational development in India would mean that Indian accepted a position of permanent inferiority in the society of civilised nations.

Mr. Sargent posed the question: "Is it necessary for the future welfare of India herself, the British Commonwealth of Nations if India remains a member of it, and the World at large that India should be provided as soon as possible with a national system of education and other social services which are enjoyed by other so-called civilised countries?"

Mr. Sargent continued: "The question is as simple as it is urgent. What is not less important, it would appear to transcend all current political controversies. Federation will not answer it, nor Dominion Status, nor non-violence, nor Pakistan. But the right answer to it may perhaps provide in the end the right answer to all these. I have good reason to believe that there are a very large number of people in India of all castes and communities and all shades of political opinion who would be ready to co-operate in any constructive effort for dealing with one of India's most urgent problems. Such collaboration once established might well spread beyond the education field. If anything is to be done, it will have to be done without delay.

ALL OR NOTHING

So far as the Board's plan is concerned, there can be no half way house between what is and what ought to be. It is all or nothing. All means expenditure on a scale which may frighten those who have defended the intertia on the ground that India is too poor to have what other countries enjoy. Difficulties in the way of implementing the plan are not simply or even mainly financial. There are many people both in India and outside who seeing in largely illiterate India the finest field for exploitation that was ever offered to human ingenuity or human greed will not welcome disturbance of the labour market which introduction of education on a wide scale is almost bound to create. Nevertheless, the free peoples of the earth are on a march towards the goal of social security and not only humanitarian considerations and claims of social justice but also our practical interest and our credit before history demand that we do all in our power to help India fall in by their side."

The President of the Board of Education, Mr. Richard Butler, presiding said: "India's ancient traditions should give the hope that we will make a successful start in educational reconstruction for India. Is it too much to hope we may see produced a synthesis of the ideas of Macaulay and Warren Hastings?—Reuter.

NATIONALIST CHRISTIANS DEMAND GENERAL AMNESTY

Suggestions For Solving Communal Problem

The Executive Committee of the Nationalist Christian Party, Bombay, has released the following resolution to the Press:—

The Committee views with grave concern the deteriorated national and international situation and the invasion of India by Japan. Despite the tragic lessons of the war, the debate on Empire in the Parliament, deliberations of the Dominion Premiers' Conference, the interpretation on the application of the Atlantic Charter, the definition of the post-war world and the pronouncements from responsible British spokesmen made from time to time, unmistakably show that they want to hold fast to their empire.

The Committee, therefore, welcomes the release of Mahatma Gandhi and urges upon Government to grant forthwith general political amnesty, declare Indian independence and take immediate steps to form a representative and composite National Government at the Centre, which will organise the defence of the country in co-operation with the Allied Powers and also alleviate the distress caused by the war among the masses.

The Committee would suggest that the National Government should as soon as possible evolve a scheme for a Constituent Assembly, based on adult franchise, to frame a federal constitution granting self-determination, with the right to secede, to the territorial units. In order to allay fear and suspicion, it is suggested that for the first ten years, the portfolio for Defence be allotted to a person belonging to the minority community, preferably, Muslim or Sikh.

The Committee is further of opinion that after the formation of the National Government, steps should be taken to hold fresh elections to the Provincial and Central Legislatures and to form coalition ministries. The period from the formation of the National Government to the summoning of the Constituent Assembly, should be utilised to bring about an intercommunal settlement, and any point in dispute referred to arbitration.

The Committee expresses the hope that every community and interest will shed mutual fear, suspicion and bitterness, compose all their differences and unite and rally round the National Demand in this hour of crisis and peril.

BANGALORE, May 25.—One person died and 20 others were injured as a result of the collapse of a zinc sheet roofing of some quarters under construction in a factory near Bangalore last evening when a gale passed over the area.—A.P.

Schuster Welcomes Industrialists' Plan

GIVING MORE PROMINENT PLACE TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MAY MAKE SOLUTION OF POLITICAL PROBLEM EASIER, HE SAYS

"There are some people who are inclined to think now, to use the phrase, that the problems of the world in general and of India in particular are 'economic rather than political.' I think this a stupid phrase. As Aristotle has said 'Man is a political animal.' Political problems stand first. Unless they can be solved there can be no solution of economic problems. Therefore, I am not one of those who think that by getting India interested in her economic problems we can sidetrack the political issue." Thus said Sir George Schuster in the course of a special interview to the representative of the "Bombay Chronicle" in London on the Indian Industrialists' Plan for economic reconstruction of India.

Sir George continued: "What I do think and what I ventured to suggest in my book on India is that it is extremely desirable that the economic problems of India should take a more prominent place in the field of Indian politics. I further believe that if that were to happen, the nature of Indian political controversies might change and they might become more realistic perhaps and easier of solution."

THEY HAD COURAGE TO FIX TARGET

(From Our Correspondent.)
LONDON, May 26.

It is greatly to be regretted that war-time conditions have hampered the early publication as anticipated of the English edition by Penguins of the Indian industrialists' plan for economic reconstruction of India. A few copies of the Indian edition reached Britain a few days ago and only a few people had the opportunity of studying it.

Several members of both the Houses of Parliament expressed to me their eagerness to study the plan, when it is made available. Those who had the opportunity of reading the Indian edition undoubtedly welcome the plan. One of them is Sir George Schuster noted financial authority in Britain.

SCHUSTER WELCOMES IT

He is regarded in all parts of House of Commons as a man of liberal mind. His Parliamentary colleagues know him as the commoner, who intervenes in the Commons' debates only when the occasion demands it or when he feels he has something really worthwhile contributing.

He has studied the Indian plan very closely and when I asked him what he thought of it he said: "I truly welcome the plan very warmly".

But Sir George Schuster then added: "An Englishman asked to comment on a matter of this kind must guard himself against certain possible misunderstandings".

"First, then let me say as this is an Indian plan prepared by Indians of great experience and acute minds, who understand their subject fully, they know quite well what their difficulties are and it would be unwarrantable conceit on my part to suggest that I have any wisdom to offer, which is not at their command. If I give my views it is because I have been asked to do so and also because I am still so greatly interested in India that I feel a strong wish to give an encouraging cheer as a friend to any Indians, who are ready to give lead to thought over plans for increasing the welfare of the Indian people.

Second, possible misunderstanding is this that there are some people who are inclined now, to use the phrase, that the problems of the world in general and of India in particular are 'economic rather than political.'

"I think this is a stupid phrase. Man is a political animal, as Aristotle said. Political problems come first. Unless they can be solved there can be no solution of economic problems.

"Therefore I am not one of those who think that by getting India interested in her economic problems we can sidetrack political issue.

"What I do think and what I ventured to urge in my own book on India is that it is extremely desirable that the economic problems of India should take a more prominent place in the field of Indian politics.

"I further believe that if that were to happen the nature of Indian political controversies might change and they might become more realist perhaps and easier of solution."

COURAGEOUS STEP

My assurance to Sir George Schuster that India wants a frank and critical expression of opinion on the plan provoked Sir George to observe. "It follows from what I have said that I greatly welcome the appearance of this plan. I find it intensely interesting. That does not mean I accept all its estimates as exactly accurate. The authors of the plan make no such claim. I could sit down with pen and paper and recalculate many of the figures and show the cost of this or that item has been underestimated. So could the authors. But that is not the point. The point is that they have had the courage to set out the target.

"For national endeavour they do not profess to show all the steps whereby the target is to be reached and we are promised a further instalment. They tell us that; but to have set up the target on which public discussion and interest can focus seems to me a courageous act for which all Indians—even those who do not agree with the target—ought to be grateful.

"Beyond this I will venture on a few comments. First although the figures given seem colossal, this plan is really a quite modest plan. India is a colossal country and even a small increase in the productive power of India's crores of people would have a colossal result. The aim is to treble India's total national income, which if allowance is made for increase in population, means increasing the 'per capita' income for each inhabitant by 100 per cent. The period allowed is fifteen years, to which must be added three to five years for the preparation. Is that an unreasonable aim?

IN OTHER COUNTRIES

"I find looking back to other countries that in Australia between 1915 and 1938 the real income per head increased by 70 to 80 per cent and the population increased by 41 per cent, so that the real national income increased to two and a half times its original amount.

"I find also in Japan between 1913 and 1934 the population increased by about 21 per cent and the real income per head by 170 to 180 per cent. Japan's total real national income, therefore, increased more than three-fold.

"So these things 'can' be done.

"The questions are: "Can India do them?" and "How?"

LAND AND INDUSTRY

"Secondly the plan would not fundamentally alter the Indian economic structure. India would stil remain predominantly an agricultural country. That seems to me to show wise vision.

"I only want to urge as I have urged often before that India should try to avoid huge urban industrial concentrations and any development should aim at enabling industrial workers still to remain in touch with the land and with small holdings as their own to cultivate in their leisure hours.

"Thirdly, as I see it, the essential problem is a human and political one. The authors rightly say that the whole thing depends on the material resources and human labour rather than on money.

WHAT PLANNING MEANS

"Let us look at the matter in this way: when the country sets out to improve its capital equipment and productivity (as Russia did) that really means that all its people get down to work for a period of years on the understanding that a large proportion of their work will go not to feed and clothe themselves but to build up capital goods—power plants, factories, railways, roads, etc.

INTERNATIONAL HELP

"International effort may help them by getting some capital goods from other countries either on loan or as India could do by way of repayment of her Sterling balances. That will help but even allowing for that there will have to be a great effort by the Indian people of which a large part will be directed to the future and not used for present consumption.

"The essential question then is: 'Can you get people to do it?'

TWO WAYS

"It can be done either by the Government ordering everybody what they must make and settling how much they can consume immediately—as Russia did: or a voluntary system can continue with everybody being paid salaries and wages and by their voluntary action achieving the result that a requisite proportion of money paid out is not spent on consumption but invested in the right kind of capital goods. That voluntary process can be assisted by limiting the amount that is available for private purchase for immediate consumption.

"In England we have worked out war production and rationing in that way and probably got as near to the voluntary system as is possible. A great deal can be done in war emergency. The real question is 'Can the whole people be induced to work in this kind of way in peace?' Even if the system of Government control is used that will not work unless the mass of the people accepts it. If they do that, then they must understand the purpose and believe in it.

NEED OF NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

"If that is to be done in India it will require a great national campaign inspired by real leadership and enthusiasm. Education is necessary. Then there is another aspect of the human side. Building up of industry will require great numbers of engineers, managers and skilled foremen. Agriculture will require many skilled advisers, veterinary surgeons, etc. The education drive will require great numbers of teachers. The health drive will require numbers of doctors.

"The plan recognises this and Mr. Birla specially emphasised that this is the real core of the problem in his address on March 4 to the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry. If we say, as many people do to-day 'mere financial difficulties do not matter' that does not mean therefore that everything is easy. It only means we must think of the problem not in terms of financial obstacles but in terms of organising human effort. That may be more realistic but it does not make the problem an easy one.

"Therefore the questions are: 'Can Indian leaders arise as a whole and get the whole of the people behind an effort of this kind? Will they have the patience to start with a great educational drive with careful working out of the plans? And then will the people see it through to the end?'

"No one can say that the authors of the plan have not appreciated all this. They say: 'You cannot have planning without tears': that in the initial stages it will call for a very large measure of personal discomfort and sacrifice; that in order to develop the system of co-operative farming 'some measure of compulsion will be necessary'; and between the period of the plan 'practically every aspect of economic life will have to be so rigorously controlled by Government that individual liberty and freedom of enterprise will suffer a temporary eclipse.

MOBILISE NATIONAL OPINION

"I appreciate their courage in stating these things but I hope if Indian national opinion can be mobilised behind the idea it can be carried out with spontaneous enthusiasm rather than by forced discipline.

"I have always believed that that could be done if it is clearly understood that the whole object is national welfare and not private profit. Space does not permit me to discuss the matter more fully and in any case I should like a further instalment which is promised and which will show in more detail the lines of industrial development proposed. What seems to me important is that all steps of an exploratory nature, which can be undertaken now, even while war continues should be started at once.

"A close study of how similar plans have worked out not only in Russia but in Turkey and Japan would be very valuable. I should like to know also what preparations were being started for a more complete geological survey in India to the need of which the authors call attention. The educational programme could be worked out, too, finally. I still feel there is value in the suggestion which I have made before, namely, without interfering with preparations for the general plan, start should be made with a large scale experiment for development of a chosen area somewhat on the basis of what has been done under the Tennessee Valley Authority in the United States. There is a great deal to be learnt for that.

"My final word is Good Luck to all those who have the courage to plan boldly for the welfare of the Indian people."

LIAQAT ALI-KHIZR HYAT CORRESPONDENCE

Punjab Premier's Refusal To Furnish Information Asked For

NEW DELHI, May 26

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Convener of the Central Parliamentary Board of the All-India Muslim League, has released to the press the correspondence that took place between him and the Premier of the Punjab, Hon. Malik Khizar Hayat Khan Tiwana, about the dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan by the Governor of the Punjab.

Following is the letter from Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, to Malik Khizar Hayat Khan:—

Wanted Information

Mamdot Villa, Davis Road, LAHORE, May 6th, 1944.

DEAR SIR,—The Central Parliamentary Board of the All-India Muslim League is to consider the matter of the dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan one of the Muslim League Ministers in the Punjab Cabinet, by the Governor, and I shall be obliged if you will kindly send me the full information on the points mentioned below, so as to reach me on or before the 12th of May 1944 at the Central Office of the All-India Muslim League, Daryaganj, Delhi:—

(1) Did the Governor take the action on his own initiative and decision without any reference to you as the Chief Minister of the Punjab Government?

(2) Was the decision to dismiss Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan taken by the Governor in consultation with you and with your approval and advice? If not, what position did you take up or you are going to take up in the matter as the Chief Minister?

(3) The Parliamentary Board will feel obliged if you will give the full facts of the case, having regard to the above questions which finally led to the dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan. Further, whether the particulars of any charge were communicated to Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan and whether his explanation and defence was considered and heard by you or the Governor before the decision of dismissal was taken against him.—Your sincerely, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan."

Sorry, Can't Disclose

Following is Malik Khizr Hyat Khan's reply to Nawabzdaa Liaqat Ali Khan:—

21, Queen's Road,
LAHORE, 11th May, 1944.

My Dear Nawabzada Saheb,—Please refer to your letter dated the 6th May, 1944 in which you have asked for certain information in connection with the dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan.

2. I regret that I am unable to answer the questions which you have asked because to do so would be a breach of the Oath of Secrecy which I took on appointment as a Minister. Under Section 51 (4) of the Government of India Act 1935, even a Court is precluded from enquiring whether any and, if so, what advice was tendered by Ministers to the Governor in a particular case.

3. I hope that the Central Parliamentary Board of the All-India Muslim League will understand my inability to give the information asked for.—Yours sincerely, Khizr Hyat."

Following is Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan's letter to Malik Khizr Hyat Khan:—

Central Office,
All-India Muslim League,
DARYAGANJ, (Delhi) 19th May 1944

Not A Valid Plea

Dear Malik Khizr Hyat Khan,—I thank you for your letter of the 11th wherein you express your inability to give the information asked for in my letter of the 6th of May on the grounds that to give the information "would be a breach of the Oath of Secrecy" which you took on appointment as a Minister, and that "under Section 51 (4) of the Government of India Act 1935, even a court is precluded from enquiring whether any and, if so what, advice was tendered by Ministers to the Governor in a particular case.

As regards Section 51 (4) quoted by you the meaning is quite clear. I precludes a court of law from enquiring into and compelling Ministers to disclose as to what, if any, advice they tendered to the Governor.

But it does not prevent Ministers from voluntarily making such disclosures on their own if they so desired.

The Oath of Secrecy also to which you have referred in your letter cannot stand in the way of your giving replies to the questions asked in my letter of the 6th instant.

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The Oath of Secrecy also to which you have referred in your letter cannot stand in the way of your giving replies to the questions asked in my letter of the 6th instant.

The position of Ministers 'vis-a-vis' their responsibilities to the Governor was explained by the then Viceroy and Governor-General of India, Lord Linlithgow, in his message to India of the 22nd of June 1937—a statement which was made with the full authority of the Secretary of State for India and His Majesty's Government and in which the whole position of the relations between the Governor and the Ministers was clarified and dealt with at great length. I would quote the following passage from Lord Linlithgow's statement to show that the Ministers if they so desired, were entitled publicly to state as to the nature of advice that they gave to the Governor even in matters which were within the scope of his individual judgment: "I have already stated that Ministers have the duty of advising the Governor over the whole range of the Executive Government within the ministerial field, including the area of the special responsibilities. For advice so given, whether on matters within or without the scope of the special responsibilities, Ministers are answerable to the Legislature. In all such matters in which he is not specifically required to exercise his individual judgment, it is mandatory upon the Governor to accept the advice of his Ministers. Within the limited area of his special responsibilities, a Governor is directly answerable to Parliament, whether he accepts or does not accept the advice of his Ministers. But if the Governor is unable to accept the advice of his Ministers, then the responsibility for his decision is his and his alone. In that event, Ministers bear no responsibility for the decision and are entitled—if they so desire—publicly to state that they take no responsibility for that particular decision, or even that they advised the Governor in an opposite sense."

In view of what I have stated above may I request you to kindly reconsider the matter and assist the Central Parliamentary Board, in arriving at a correct appraisement of the constitutional position regarding the dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hyat Khan, by giving the required information.

I shall be obliged if you will kindly send me the reply so as to reach me not later than the 26th instant at the Central Office of the All-India Muslim League, Delhi.—Yours Sincerely, Liaquat Ali Khan."

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

The Punjab Premier, Malik Khizr Hyat failed Mr. Jinnah once again when he suddenly left for Simla to-night because the Premier was given to understand that no written reply was possible on the Premier's query on Sikandar-Jinnah pact clarification.

Nawab Mohd. Ismail was deputed by the League Council of Action to resume talks but the Premier refused the resumption or to appear before the Council before getting a reply. The Council is meeting to-morrow in Lahore for a final decision against the Punjab rebels.
—Lahore report.

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Allies, we are assured, hold the initiative in Burma.

But, unfortunately, the Japs hold Burma!

* * *

Mr. Churchill has turned a student of the subtle nuances of Marxism and declared, with evident satisfaction, that in Soviet Russia the Trotskyite form of Communism has been completely wiped out.

Well may the Communists exclaim: Save us from our friends!

* * *

The religious side of Russia, he said, has had a wonderful rebirth.

We hear, Stalin is regularly attending Mass!

* * *

The Atlantic Charter, declared Mr. Churchill, does not apply to Germany.

To Germany and to—India!

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Roads, according to a New Delhi message, are being transferred to War Department.

Now then military truck drivers can make war upon the pedestrians with more self-confidence!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague.)

(1) *General Franco is feeling gay and jubilant and expects soon to receive the "Sword of Madrid" from Mr. Churchill in recognition of his services to the cause of world peace.*

(2) *Franco says he knows the world's best and completely fool-proof system of security—establish yourself in power with the help of Fascists and Nazis, then get the "democracies" to protect your power.*

(3) *The Communists are at last wondering whether Churchill is really playing the "People's War" game, according to rules!*

(4) *Mr. Churchill wants everyone to make a distinction between the man who knocks you down and who leaves you alone—and the man whom you knock down!*

(5) *The cloth profiteers are sure the end of the world has come.*

(6) *They are considering a petition to be sent to the Viceroy appealing for protection—and a carbon copy to be forwarded to Gandhiji!*

LOUD SPEAKERS DISALLOWED

Interference With Indore Civil Liberties Conference

(From A Correspondent)
INDORE, May 25

The Indore Government have at last found out a novel way for sabotaging the forthcoming Indore State Civil Liberties Conference. The Government have refused to allow the use of loud speakers in the Conference going to be held here on the 28th and 29th May under the presidency of Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference.

It is reported that the reason given for this refusal is that in view of the poor (?) attendance that the Conference is going to have, the Government does not feel it necessary to use loud speakers.

It would be remembered here that permission to use the Indore Town Hall has already been refused to the organisers of the Conference by the Government.

P. C. ALLOWS LEAVE TO FILE APPEAL

LYALLPUR, May 26: The Privy Council has granted special leave to file an appeal against the judgment of the Federal Court in the case challenging the validity of the Restriction of Mortgaged Land Act, says a cable received here from London.—A United Press.

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, May 26.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar was fairly steady to-day with a moderate support. Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened steady at Rs. 2,170 and improved to Rs. 2,192 while Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 410 and steadied at Rs. 411. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE
Bombay, May 26.
T S Ord (409) 411 12/8 11 12/8 12 11 12
T S Dfd (2166/4) 2175 80 85 82/8 87/8 85 92/8 90 93/12 83/12 85
Dyeing (1917/8) 1925 32 27 31 21 25
Kohinoor (648) 650 52 51 52 49 50
Swadesh (571) 569 71 69 66 67
Nagpur (434) 434 35 34
Simplex (258) 258 59/8 60 59/8
New Great (397/8) 398 97
Indore (972)/8. 960 55 70 95
Alcock (521/4) 525 27 32 35 31/4
New India (83/8) 84/8 84 84/4 83/8
Cemelt (233/12) 234 33/8 34

Rs. 1,922, and with scattered buying improved to Rs. 1,930, Kohinoors opened at Rs. 650 and steadied at Rs. 657. Alcock shares which recorded a big drop yesterday were placed at Rs. 527. Morarji Mill shares which were quoted at Rs. 710 Yesterday declined to-day to Rs. 685. On the whole the market was steady but buyers are cautious.

TEXTILE:—Ahmd Advance 5/1-4, Apllo 4-10-1/2, Bharat Spg 77-0, Bom Dyeing 1925-0, Cent India 434-0, Century 905-0, Colaba 227-0, Dawn 1575-0, Edward 692-8, Elphinstone 106-3, Finlay 313-0, Gokak 333-0, Hindustan 4010-0, Ind Bleaching 195-0, Ind Ord 16-12-1/2 Ind United Def 3-5-1/2, Indore 995-0, Khatau 392-8, Kohinoor 650-0, Lakshmi 1387-8, Madhovji 21-8, Minerva 306-12, Model Nagpur 287-8, Madhusudan 492-8, Meyer 215-10, Morarji 680-0, Mysore 323-12, New Great 397-0, Phoenix xd 645-0, Podar 403-12, Sassoon Silk 103-8, Sassoon Spg 20-8, Shreenivas 440-0, Sholapur 8700-0, Simplex 259-8, Swadeshi 567-0, Swan 335-0, Tata Mills xd 63-8, Vishnu 515-0, Western India 3650-0.

INSURANCE:—Bom Life 227-8, Empire Life 785-0, Vulcan 16-4, Oriental 6110-0, New India 83-8, Indus Prudent 45-0, Indian Mercan 72-8, Jupiter 34-0

HYDRO & ELEC.—Ahmd Electri 227-8, And Valley 1890-0, Ajmer 14-6, Bom Tram 147-0, Bom Suburban 228-12, Broach 13-14, Karachi 257-8, Poona 305-0, Surat Old 221-4, Surat New Rs. 50/pd 70-0, Tata Power Ordy 1872-8, Tata Hydro 204-0.

BANK.+Baroda Old 142-8, India 177-8, Central 76-12, Imperial 1925-0, Imperial 512-8, Reserve Bank 134-0, Habib 79-0, U Co Bank 78-8, Union 9-13

PREF SHARES:—7 p c And Valley 1685-0, 6 p c Bom Steamer 352-8, 7 p c Bom Tram 72-12, Bradbury 557-0, 5 p c Cent India 740-0, Elphinstone 133-12, 6-1/2 p c Jupiter 20-4, 6-1/2 Surat 198-0, 6 p c Tata I & S 1st 221-4 7-1/2 p c Tata 2nd 165-8, 7-1/2 p c Tata oPwer 1781-4, 7 p c Tata Hydro 165-4, 7 p c Vishnu 7878.

DEBENTURES:—4 p c And Vally 107-8, 4 p c Tata Power 107-10, 4 p c Tata Chemi 220-0, 6 p c Marsland Price 121-0.

RAILWAY:—Ahmd Prantij 770-0. Cent Province 103-8 Dhond Baramati 118-0, Hoshiarpurdoab 108-0, Mandrabhon 112-0, Mymensing Rtd 110-0, Mymensing Gtd 110-0, Sarasirajganj 108-0, Sialkot Naroval 119-0, Sialkot New 60-0.

MISC:— Alembic 390-0, Alcock 581-4, Ass Cement 234-0, Burma Old 395-0, Burma New 132-8, Belapur 244-0, Invest Trust 113-0, B B Petrol 2-13, Bom Steamer 632-8, Prem Const 222-0, Port Canning 195-8, Scindia 34-10, Shivrajpur 69-8 Tata Chemical 30-0, Tata Oil 80-0, Tata Ordy 112-0, Tata Defd 2185-0, Wimco 323-2, Burma Corpo 3-11, Indian Copper 2-12, B I C 6-4, N Victo Ordy 8-12, Steel Corpo 27-14, Bradbury Ordy 450-0, Dharamsy Chemi 64-0, New City 435-0, New Union 32-0, Jaipur Bank 68-0, Indian Iron xd 36-2, H C Bank 50-8.

GOVT SECURITIES:—3-1/2 p c G P Notes 99-0, 3 p c 1963-66 Loan 98-11, 3 p c 1966-68 Loan 98-1-1/2, 4 p c 1960-70 Loan 112-2, 4-1/2 1955-60 Loan 115-14 3-1/2 1947-50 Loan 103-2 3 p c 1946 Def 1st 102-2, 3 p c 1949-52 2nd 100-12, 3 p c 1951-54 3rd 100-5, 3 p c 1953-55 4th 99-15-1/2, 3 p c 1957 Vic Loan 100-7.

CORPORATION DEBENTURES.—4 p c B P T 1974 113-0, 4 p c M Deb 1974 113-0, 5 p c M Deb 1959 120-8, 6 p c M Deb 1954 130-5, 6 p c K P T 1956 129-0.

TAX FREE LOANS.—4 p c 1953-63 5 p c 1955-55 Loan 104-6. Loan 123-6.

5 p c Mysore 1955 135-0.

BULLION:—On Thursday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and Forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2 d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. No sales of Gold were reported to-day. Buyers are willing to pay about Rs. 74-8 but the Bank is not inclined to sell below Rs. 75. This led to very narrow movement in Gold market which stood at Rs. 74-12. Silver opened at Rs. 131-12 and improved to Rs. 132-2 under scattered buying but later quietened to Rs. 131-10. It seems that the most of the purchasers are based on gaining penalty which is imposed on non-delivery but the intrinsic value of Silver is considerably lower than the existing quotations.

Later on the market was quietly steady. Closing quotations Ready Silver Rs. 131/2 forward Rs. 130/2 Ready Gold Rs. 74/10, Forward Rs. 74/10.

COTTON: The local cotton market was quietly steady with a limited business. July delivery opened to-day at Rs. 429-8 and declined to Rs. 429 under scattered selling but moderate short covering appeared and July delivery improved to Rs. 430-12. Later on the market was quiet at Rs. 429-8 with a small business passing. The market remains lifeless and price movement continues narrow.

Later on there was improved demand and July delivery advanced to Rs 431/12. The difference between July and September widened. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I C C July	431	8	0
I C C September	443	0	0

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES.

	High.	Low.	Close.
July	432	428/12	430
September	443/8	440	441

COTTON ARRIVALS:—Central India 566, Berar 548, Central Provinces 1181, Dholeras 199, Broach 1319, Coompta 104, Egyptian 88507, East African 1836. Total 24296 Bales.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton July contract is below New York July 428 cent points at Exchange rate 331.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Broach Extra Spr-fine 430 Sup 425 Fine 420 F Good 415

Surti Extra Spr-fine 560 Sup 555 Fine 550 F Good 545

4 F Pun/American Extra Spr-fine 475 Sup 470 Fine 465 F Good 460

L S S Pun/American Extra Spr-fine 510 Sup 505 Fine 500 F Good 495

289 F Pun/American Extra Spr-fine 565 Sup 560 Fine 555 F Good 550

Saw-Gd 4 F Extra Spr-fine 505 Sup 500 Fine 495 F Good 490

Saw-Gd L S S Extra Spr-fine 555 Sup 550 Fine 545 F Good 540

Saw-Gd 289 F Extra Spr-fine 615 Sup 610 Fine 605 F Good 600

M G N T Extra Spr-fine 505 Sup 500 Fine 495 F Good 490

Saw-Gd N T Sid-Ame Extra Spr-fine 545 Sup 540 Fine 535 F Good 530

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS
Khandesh Jarilla New 290/365
Berar Jarilla New 370/390
289 F Jarilla New 525/545
N T Jarilla New 470/480
289 F Saw-ginned New 600/610

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4. Byramjee J. Nusservanjee Koyajee Scholarship and Silver Medal (Parsi Highest) No. 1867
5. Dr. Ismail Jan Mahomed Scholarship No. 1936

The award of the Pestonji Hormasji Cama Scholarship has been reserved.

The results of the following candidates have been reserved:—
No. 863 865 2560 2561.

Communists Repudiate Pretoria Agreement

(From A Correspondent.)
DURBAN, May 24.

Under the auspices of the Natal Communist Party a mass meeting was held at the Red Square to record their protest against the alleged betrayal of Indian people by officials of the Natal Indian Congress when they negotiated for the licensing Board as substitute for the Pegging Act.

Mr. Billy Peters who presided over the meeting said that Indians should not accept any form of segregation. By accepting the licensing Board Mr. Peters said officials of the Congress played into the hands of the Government which could only continue in power by pursuing a policy of segregation.

After several other speeches, the meeting passed resolutions repudiating the Pretoria Agreement, demanding complete withdrawal of the Pegging Act and protesting against all attempts at segregating Indians.

KARACHI, May 26: It is understood that a short session of the Sind Legislative Assembly will be held in the first week of July.

S. L. C. EXAMINATION RESULTS

List of successful candidates in the April examination:—

Grade I: 5 9 10 63 69 77 80 102 223 505 704 809 842 965 1005 1014 1072 1105 1150.

Grade II: 6 31 33 36 46 62 70 78 81 87 88 96 114 116 129 143 162 163 169 177 219 224 232 262 264 266 268 292 305 323 325 347 348 367 424 431 436 440 466 488 542 560 608 615 635 647 653 715 807 814 823 870 908 948 955 963 972 1003 1008 1028 1034 1058 1084 1100 1101 1139 1168 1174 1177 1178 1184 1193.

Grade III: 19 24 32 42 50 52 54 66 68 75 90 106 122 123 134 139 149 153 165 167 166 172 174 183 186 194 195 198 200 207 210 215 218 222 238 240 249 265 267 273 274 276 278 279 281 286 291 293 298 302 306 308 311 315 317 321 322 324 346 353 361 365 373 379 381 382 414 416 430 432 438 449 457 458 465 468 471 474 479 486 489 496 497 499 511 514 517 518 523 525 528 538 539 540 543 546 547 555 562 568 569 570 571 575 581 585 586 591 593 594 600 602 603 604 605 607 624 627 629 631 633 641 642 650 660 665 672 702 706 710 712 735 740 741 742 745 746 756 768 769 813 828 832 838 841 845 846 848 865 869 873 878 881 885 886 895 897 899 907 915 939 940 942 945 947 951 953 956 969 977 979 982 990 993 995 1006 1007 1011 1012 1013 1015 1029 1030 1035 1036 1045 1049 1050 1053 1057 1059 1060 1080 1082 1083 1087 1089 1095 1104 1118 1120 1126 1130 1133 1141 1142 1147 1149 1151 1163 1167 1183 1185 1194 1200 1204 1209.

Note:—The results of the following index numbers are reserved and will be declared shortly:—

57 59 76 79 103 105 115 202 398 470 502 645 698 699 755 837 857 930 978 983 1000 1024 1099 1112 1144 1156 1172 1180.

AHRAR MAJLIS VICE-PRESIDENT MURDERED

LAHORE, May 26: Maulana Mohd. Gulsher Khan, Vice-President of the Majlis-i-Ahrar, Islam, Punjab, has been murdered in his village in Campbellpur District, according to information received in the office of Majlis-i-Ahrar, Lahore.

It is stated that while he was sleeping in his house somebody fired shots at him, killing him instantaneously. The Majlis-i-Ahrar has fixed Friday, June 2, to observe "Gulsher Day" when condolence meetings will be held.—A. P.

N. Y. Cotton Market:—
New York, May 25.

Cotton advanced on aggressive mill price-fixing partly for account of tire companies and commission house buying influenced by the approval by the Senate Banking Committee of the Bankhead amendment coupling Textile ceilings with parities for raw cotton The market closed very steady.

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SECRETARY,
Staff Selection Board,
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Advertisement No. 2.

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NOTICE.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from members of the 'Scheduled Castes" for appointments in vacancies which are likely to occur in the near future. The posts are temporary but likely to last for the duration of the war. Necessary qualifications required and scales of pay are as follows:—

POSTS.	QUALIFICATIONS	SCALES OF PAY
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Dearness allowance at the rates admissible to Central Government servants from time to time will be paid in addition.

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Forms of application should be obtained from the Financial Adviser and Chief Accounts Officer, B.B. & C.I. Railway, Bombay, by remitting Re. 1/- by Money Order only. Full name and address of applicant should be entered in block capital letters on the Money Order COUPON, otherwise Money Orders are liable to be returned. Last date for receipt of Money Order is 10th June, 1944.

Candidates called for interview should attend at their own expense. A call for interview will not IMPLY offer of employment. No correspondence will be entertained. (8925)

NOTICE

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY have under No. 719|II(a), dated the 22nd May 1944, issued an order empowering revenue officers of and above the grade of Circle Inspector and also officers directed by the Commissioner under Section 154 of the Bombay Land Revenue Code, 1879, in the three districts of Ahmednagar, Bijapur and Sholapur, to enter upon, inspect and search premises for securing compliance with the orders under which cultivators are required to sell and deliver to Government a definite proportion of the foodgrains produce of their lands depending upon the Revenue assessment of their holdings (vide Bombay Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated the 24th May, 1944).

DEFENCE OF INDIA ACT

No. 719|II(a).—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (5) of section 2 of the Defence of India Act, 1939, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the power conferred on the Provincial Government by rule 75-A of the Defence of India Rules shall also be exercisable by he Additional District Magistrate n Ahmednagar District and Prant Officers, Mamlatdars and Mahalkaris in Ahmednagar, Sholapur and Bijapur Districts for the purpose of issuing orders requisitioning grains from producers. (8963)

G. I. P. RLY. TENDERS

THE FOOD CONTROLLER, G.I.P. Railway Bombay, invites tenders for the supply of fresh milk, twice a day to the Railway Grain Shops at Igatpuri, Manmad, Bhusaval, Ahmednagar, Sholapur, Dhond, Poona, Dehu Road and Lonavla. Tenderers should state the maximum quantity (in maunds) they can supply, the percentage of butter fat in the milk they can guarantee and should quote rates for delivery at the Grain shops. Tenders should be submitted in sealed envelopes superscribed "Tenders for supply of milk" and may be sent either by Registered post or be delivered in person at the office. The last date for receipt of tenders is 15th June 1944. The Food Controller reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning reasons. Successful tenderers will be called upon to furnish a fixed sum as "Security Deposit" (10 per cent of the value of the contract). (8967)

MADRAS AND SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from candidates who are residents of the following Districts of this Railway to fill anticipated vacancies in the Ticket Collectors' grade, scale Rs. 32-2-40:—

(1) Rayapuram
(2) Bezwada
(3) Guntakal and Pakala
(4) Hubli

2. Applicants should satisfy the following conditions:—

(i) EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: Must have passed S.S.L.C. Examination or Eighth Standard of European High School and must have a good knowledge of English. Candidates from Bombay Presidency Schools must have passed the Matriculation Examination or equivalent thereof.

(ii) AGE: Must be between 18 and 25 years of age on 1st June 1944.

(iii) MINIMUM HEIGHT: 5 feet, 5 inches.

3. A list of successful candidates will be maintained and they will be offered appointment as and when vacancies occur.

4. CANDIDATES MUST BE PREPARED TO WORK AT ANY STATION ON THE M. & S. M. RAILWAY.

5. Applications should be in the prescribed form which can be had from the Chief Commercial Manager, M. & S. M. Railway, by POST only. Requests for Application Forms should be accompanied by Stamped and Addressed envelopes.

6. The application form must be completed and forwarded to the Chief Commercial Manager so as to reach him on or before 20th June, 1944.

7. Applications must be accompanied by copies of certificates regarding education and character. Originals should not be sent. Candidates called for interview must produce original certificates.

8. Candidates, if and when appointed, will be entitled to Dearness Allowance and Special Local Allowances according to the rules in force, in addition to the substantive pay.

CHIEF COMMERCIAL MANAGER,
M. & S. M. Railway, Park Town, Madras.
(8971)

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Our client Mr. JAYANTILAL GULABCHAND JHOBALIA has retired as from 22-5-44 from the business of Sport-goods etc., which was being carried on by our client in partnership with Mr. Vadilal Virchand Shah, under the firm name of 'EVERGREEN SPORTS" at Ava Chambers, near Metro Cinema, Dhobi Talao. Our client will not be liable for any debts or liabilities incurred after the said date.

Dated this 26th day of May, 1944.

DHARAMSEY & MEHTA,
Advocates for Mr. Jayantilal Gulabchand Jhobalia.
(8977)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. P5952 for 4 partly paid (Rs. 125/- paid up) shares Nos. 152930|152933 in the Imperial Bank of India (Bombay Register) issued in the name of the late Mr. Hajee Aboo Hajee Tayeb has been LOST or MISLAID. Due notice has been given to the Bank and all persons are warned against dealing with the Share Certificate in any way HALIMABAI HAJEE ABOO HAJEE TAYEB.

Succession Certificate Holder in repect of the above shares. 8793

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a Medical Officer in charge Municipal Tuberculosis Clinics at Foras Road and Lalbaug. Applicants must possess a medical degree registrable under the Bombay Medical Act VI of 1912 and experience of at least five years in conducting Tuberculosis Dispensaries, Clinics and Hospitals. A diploma in post-graduate course in Tuberculosis from an Indian or British University or one of the Royal Colleges will be considered an additional qualification. The applicants who are not in Municipal service should be under 40 years of age.

The pay of the post is Rs. 400-20-600+Rs. 40/- Conveyance Allowance per month without the right of private practice of any kind. The selected candidate will be appointed on one year's probation in the first instance and will be confirmed thereafter on approved service. He will be entitled to the benefits of the Municipal Leave Regulations and Provident Fund.

Applications stating age, nationality, qualifications and previous experience especially in Tuberculosis and accompanied by copies of testimonials and certificates of age and physical fitness should be made on prescribed form to be obtained from the Office of the Undersigned on payment of annas eight so as to reach him on or before 17th June, 1944.

Persons in Municipal service are eligible to apply.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will disqualify the applicant.

B. C. DASGUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Bombay Municipality.

Public Health Deptt.,
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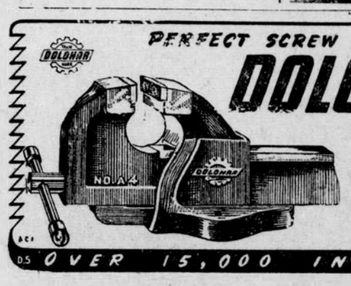

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